SUGAR FACTORIES

*466. [39] **Sri. R. K. Ram:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Industries be pleased to state.—

(a) how many sugar factories are there in the State; and

(b) are they now producing sugar?

Minister for Industries, Excise and Local Self Government **[Sri. N. Kunjuraman]:** (a) Two.

(b) The Pumba river factory alone is now working, the other has been closed temporarily.

ശ്രീ. കെ. ആർ. ഇലങ്കത്ത്: തകലെ ഷുഗർ ഫാക്ടറി നിരത്താനുണ്ടായ കാരണമെന്തെന്നു പറയാമോ?

ശ്രീ. എൻ. കുഞ്ഞുരാമൻ: അവിടെ മിതമായ വിലയ്ക്കു കരുപ്പട്ടി കിട്ടാഞ്ഞുകൊണ്ടാണ്.

ஸ்ரீ. ஏ. சிதம்பரநாத நாடார்: தக்கலை Sugar Factory ல் Sugar உண்டாக்க இப்பொழுது வசதியில்லையானால் அந்த இடததை, கிருஷிக்கு பொருத்தமான இடமாதலால் கிருஷிக்காரர்களுக்கு கொடுக்க முடியுமா?

Sri. A. Thanu Pillai: Is it permanently closed.

Sri. N. Kunjuraman: It is only temporarily closed on account of the abnormal increase in price of jaggery.

ശ്രീ. കെ. എ. മാത്യു: ഈ ഫാക്ടറിയിൽ ഗവണ്മെണ്ടിനു് എത്ര ഷെയർ ഉണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ?

Sri. N. Kunjuraman: It is a different question and I do not have that information now.

ശ്രീ. കെ. എ. മാത്യു: ആ ഫാക്ടറിയുടെ മാനേജുമെൻറ് ആക്കാണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

ശ്രീ. എൻ. കുഞ്ഞുരാമൻ: പാരി ആൻഡ് കമ്പനിയ്ക്കാണ്.

ஸ்ரீ. ஸ்ரீ. வி. தாஸ்: தக்கலை Sugar Factory–யை வடக்கே வேறு ஏதாவது இடத்திற்கு மாற்ற உத்தேசமுண்டா?

ஸ்ரீ. என். குஞ்ஞுராமன்: இல்லை.

WRITTEN ANSWERS

Supply of Electricity

*467. [41] **Sri. Sree V. Das:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity be pleased to answer the following questions.—

(a) what is the percentage of houses that are utilising the facilities given in respect of the supply of electricity to village parts till now;

(b) have the Government prepared any scheme for enabling people with poor financial resources to get electricity supply by remitting money in monthly instalments;

(c) if there is any such scheme, will they be pleased to give a summary of the scheme?

Minister for Public Works, Communications and Agriculture **[Sri. E. John Philipose]:** (a) In places where distribution of electricity has been made, the number of consumers who avail of the supply is approximately 25 per cent of the total number of houses and shops, etc.

(b) Yes.

(c) A summary of the scheme is given in the Note placed on the table.

SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY IN HOUSES AND SHOPS - ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY GOVERNMENT IN MEETING THE INITIAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Electricity supply has been made available by Government in various places in the State; but a number of houses and shops etc., in these places have not yet

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availed of the supply. The main reason for this is understood to be that the capital expenditure by way of charges for electric installation inside the building, the service connection charges, the testing fee of Rs. 5 and the deposit of Rs. 10 required under the rules is too heavy for an average person with a modest income to meet initially. Government have been considering how such persons could be assisted so as to enable them to have electric supply in their houses and have decided on the following scheme for the purpose:—

(i) The houses or shop premises of these small consumers will be wired at the cost of Government and the cost will be recovered in monthly instalments in five years. Since the idea is to give the assistance only to those who cannot really afford to meet the initial capital expenditure and as the scheme is intended only for meeting absolute minimum requirements, the *maximum* number of light points which will be arranged for for any consumer at the cost of Government will be only four. Any additional points required should be arranged for directly by the consumer. The capital cost will be recovered from the consumer at the rate of annas four per point per month for five years.

(ii) The wiring of points in accordance with the scheme will be done by contractors fixed upon by the Chief Engineer (Electricity) for each Taluk. The wiring of additional points, if any, may be arranged for by the consumer either through the same contractor or otherwise, if that is feasible.

(iii) As regards service connection charges. the first fifty feet of the line is laid free of cost by the Electricity Department already (excluding cost for posts, stays and struts) and the consumer has to pay only for the length of the line in excess of this. The entire cost of the service line will be met by the Department hereafter and the consumer will have to pay a rental of annas eight per month for every 50 ft. or part thereof in excess of the first 50 ft. This is also on the analogy of the practice followed in the Telephone Department of the Government of India where subscribers are charged only a rental for the lines.

2. The recovery as per paragraph 1 (i) above will be made and the rental under paragraph 1 (iii) collected by the Electricity Department from the consumer along with the monthly current charge bills.

3. Those who want to avail of the assistance proposed are directed to apply to the Electrical Executive Engineer concerned in charge of the area.

(The scheme has been confined for the present to areas served directly by the Government Electricity Department and not to areas covered by electricity licenses.)

ബ്ലാറിൽ വകവെച്ചിട്ടുള്ള പണികൾ

*൯൩൫. (൯൨) സാഹിബ് ബഹദൂർ എ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട പൊതുമരാമത്തുവകുപ്പു മന്ത്രി സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിലും എടവിലങ്ങിലും ഇക്കൊല്ലത്തെ ബ്ലാറിൽ വകവെച്ചിട്ടുള്ള പണികൾ ഏതൊക്കെ ആരംഭിച്ചു;

(ബി) ഏതൊക്കെ പണികൾ ആരംഭിച്ചിട്ടില്ല?

(സി) ആ പണികൾ എപ്പോൾ ആരംഭിക്കും?

മരാമത്തും ഗതാഗതവും കൃഷിയും വകുപ്പുമന്ത്രി (ശ്രീ. ഇ. ജോൺ ഫിലിപ്പോസ്):

(എ) മ. ഇരിഞ്ഞാടപ്പിള്ളി കെ. വി. ഹൈസ്കൂൾ നന്നാക്കുക.

ഖ. കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിൽ ആൺകുട്ടികൾക്കുള്ള ഹൈസ്കൂളിന്റെ തെക്കുപടിഞ്ഞാറുള്ള ഇടവഴിക്കു വീതി കൂട്ടുക.

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